this head is Rs 1·04 lakhs. The amount of contribution recoverable from the Municipality for the year 1114, according to the arrangements already arrived at, is Rs 90,000.

28. *Water Supply Schemes to mofussil towns.* —

(1) *Nagercoil.* Against the sanctioned estimate of Rs 16·85 lakhs under the scheme, the expenditure to the end of the current year is expected to stand at Rs 7·22 lakhs nearly. The acquisition of lands for the work has been completed and works commenced. Foundation work connected with the construction of Dam and Head works has been started and the construction of the Low Level Reservoir has been put in hand. The supply of Hume Steel Pipes for the Gravitation Main and the Asbestos Cement Pipes for the Town Distribution System is in progress. The next year's provision for this item is Rs 6·53 lakhs.

(2) *Alleppey and Shencottah.* In these cases also, the works have commenced and are making good progress. Provision to the extent of Rs 4·33 lakhs and Rs 1·25 lakhs respectively has been made for 1114 for these items and it is expected that water will be made available by about the close of 1114.

29. *Water Supply to pilgrims at Sabarimala.*—The question of providing good drinking water to the pilgrims who congregate in large numbers at Sabarimala during the Makaravilakku festival had been engaging the attention of Government for some time past. A reconnaisance survey was conducted and the feasibility of pumping water from the Pumba River at the foot of the Sabarimala Hills up to the temple premises, a distance of about a mile and a half, investigated. The initial cost of the scheme is estimated at Rs. 38,000 and the annual recurring charge between Rs 150 and Rs 200. It is proposed to start the work and have it completed soon so as to make water available to pilgrims at the next Makaravilakku festival. The expenditure is debitable to Devaswom Fund budget.

30. *Drainage Scheme, Trivandrum.*—Sewer laying work for an aggregate length of 20 miles with the manholes and house branches on them has been completed. The construction of the Pumping Station at the Kurjathi Ela is expected to commence shortly. The provision for the next year under this item is Rs 8·52 lakhs, and besides this, a sum of Rs 25,000 is also provided for Sanitary Installation in Government Buildings.

A provision of Rs. 40,000 has also been included for a Drainage Scheme for the Alleppey Town.

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